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On June 21, the inky-black bottom of a fourteen-hundred-foot mine at Sombierete, Mexico is suddenly flooded with sunlight. It is an annual event as the mine is on the line of the Tropic of Cancer, and at noon of each June 21, the sun is vertically above the excavation and lights up the shaft to the bottom.

The entire town of Nicola, British Columbia—courthouse, post office, stores and residences—was purchased by a South African capitalist who intends to convert it into a model English village. A village green will replace the business section and model farms will be laid out on the twenty thousand acres surrounding the town.

The "Iron Hindenburg," a great wooden statue of the German field marshal, is offered for sale as firewood. It was erected with the idea of covering it with a coating of nails. A small charge was made for war charities for the privilege of driving each nail.

A .50-caliber machine gun has been developed by the United States Army, capable of firing a bullet which, at 200 yards, will penetrate one-inch armor plate.

Transmission, publication or circulation of information concerning the odds on horse races, or the betting on horses in any race in the state of Louisiana, is forbidden in a clause of the new state constitution.

Telegraph service in the interior of Argentina is frequently interrupted as a result of weaver spiders whose long silken lines cause short circuits when they cross the wires.

Because of a shortage of spaghetti in his homeland, Enrico Caruso laid in a large supply prior to his sailing for Italy.

France plans to transfer twenty-five thousand houses from Germany to the devastated regions.

More than three millions of Americans of pre-revolutionary stock live in the Ozarks and the Appalachian Highlands.

The battle of the Little Big Horn is to be reenacted on the forty-fifth anniversary of the Custer Massacre, June 25, with United States cavalrymen and members of the American Legion taking the part of General Custer's ill-fated forces and Cheyenne and Crow Indians representing the attacking Sioux.

Housewives of Berlin are boycotting the Fruit Growers' Union which has fixed the price of cherries at eight marks a pound.

A biological expedition recently sailed from New York to South America to explore the headwaters of the Amazon and seek Theodore Roosevelt's famous "river of doubt." Special search will be made for rare herbs and plants desired by chemists and the medical profession. It is expected the expedition will be away at least two years.

King George has entered his racing yacht in thirty British regattas this summer. On July 16 and 18, the royal yacht Britannia will race Sir Thomas Lipton's Shamrock at the Harwich regatta. The Britannia will not participate in any foreign regattas.

A former sailor and lumberjack, a student of the University of Washington in the engineering department of the Federal board of vocational training, has established a new record in the army's "alpha" intelligence test, with a perfect score of 212 points in 13 minutes. The best previous score was 207 points in 17 minutes, made by a Yale professor.

As a result of a terrific hail storm which recently swept a section of Colorado, many wild ducks, unable to battle against the high wind and the hail, broke their wings, causing them to fall helpless to the earth. In the vicinity of Crestone fully one hundred plump ducks were obtained.

Prehistoric ruins of what is believed to have been a different race of cliff dwellers from those who inhabited the ruins in the Mesa Verde national parks have been discovered in an almost inaccessible region north of the Navajo Mountains in Colorado. The discoverer believes he was the first white man to view the ruins, many of which are larger and better preserved than those in the Mesa Verde national park.

Girls who plan on entering the fashionable Wellesley college preparatory school, Dana Hall, must pledge themselves to wear evening gowns with long sleeves and dresses reaching to the ankles, according to new rules recently issued.

France's share of the two million dollars bequeathed to France and Belgium by a citizen of Grove City, Pennsylvania, is to be used in caring for sick children in the war-devastated regions.

Germany's casualties in the World War are placed at 6,888,982 by the commander of the American medical corps.

To soothe the Harvard undergraduate who is nervous over the approaching examinations, music in ten-minute doses is to be provided each morning in the university chapel. The choir-master has made the announcement that a program of light classical selections is to be offered.

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